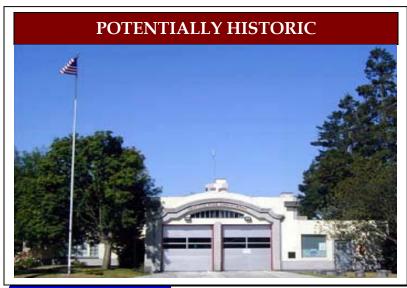
BEACON HILL STATION 13





SEISMIC & SAFETY UPGRADE

Existing Square Footage: Final Square Footage:

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About the Station:

Station 13 houses one engine company (E13), a battalion chief unit, and reserve battalion chief unit. It currently serves as the lead station for Battalion V, which serves most of southeast Seattle. In 2002, the station dispatched approximately 2,700 units. Of these, about 1,100 were in response to fire calls and about 1,300 were in response to requests for EMT or paramedic assistance. The remaining dispatches responded to a range of other requests, including those for investigations, rescues, fuel leaks and spills, and marine emergencies.

Although Station 13 was built more than 75 years ago, its extensive expansion and renovation in 1987 resulted in many improvements. Today the building remains in generally fair condition, with certain exceptions: it fails to meet current standards for seismic safety and many of its building systems (e.g., heating and electrical) are outdated.

What the Plan Would Do:

As a seismic and safety upgrade station, Station 13 requires some additional seismic bracing to meet current codes. The other proposed improvements include a modest remodel to provide capacity for apparatus bay support functions, including decontamination, EMS/disaster storage, and maintenance areas, and to reconfigure the station's basement. In addition, the station office and lobby will be remodeled for greater operational efficiency and security.

The station will continue to house one engine company. It will no longer serve as the lead station for Battalion V; this responsibility will be assumed by Station 14.

All structural modifications planned for Station 13 can be made without significantly altering the potentially historic character of this building. While the station is being upgraded, an interim facility will be sited within the neighborhood to provide continuity of fire and medic service until the station project is complete.

Planned Station Features:

Technical Capacities

- Bay space for one engine
- Decontamination/clean room
- Maintenance work area and battery charging alcove
- Storage for major disaster supplies and EMS equipment
- Hose dryer and storage alcove

Administrative and Crew Areas

- Station office
- Bunker gear room
- Beanery kitchen and dining room
- Physical fitness room
- Firefighter bunk rooms
- Toilet/shower rooms
- Laundry room

Estimated Cost:

The estimated cost of this seismic and safety upgrade is \$735,000. This amount includes inflation and the cost of an interim facility. Like several of the program's seismic and safety upgrade projects, this station's improvements will be funded from sources other than the proposed levy lid lift.